

ALLIES TAKE MORE OF SICILY

AMERICANS CAPTURE SAN STEFANO ALONG NORTHERN COAST

BRITISH EIGHTH ARMY HAS STARTED BIG PUSH AGAINST CATANIA

By RELMIN MORIN
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS in North Africa, Aug. 2. (AP)—Allied forces "have started an offensive" in Sicily, with U. S. troops seizing San Stefano to crumble the north flank of the Axis and the British Eighth Army reported making a big push against Catania.

An official statement declared the offensive had begun, and British, American and Canadian armies obviously were making an all-out drive to fold up the Messina bridgehead.

Flying Fortresses shattered Naples in a heavy assault following up Saturday ultimatum to Italy to quit or be bombed, and allied warships have hammered Italy's seaborne foot as great knock-out blows were aimed by allied land, sea and air might.

San Stefano is the northern anchor of the axis Etna line, and its loss threatened to roll the axis armies rapidly back in the dwindling Messina bridgehead.

San Stefano is about 60 miles west of Messina.

Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's Eighth Army has gained important new positions near Catania—the other anchor of the axis defenses on the east coast.

The allied communiqué failed to mention this Eighth Army drive. (A message by Montgomery indicated his troops were in action.)

Powerful formations of Flying Fortresses rained 500-pound bombs upon dock areas of Naples and the nearby Capodichino airfield Sunday to put into action the warning given by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower that Italy again would be rocked from the air because Premier Pietro Badoglio's government had temporized, and permitted the Germans time to strengthen their defenses.

Allied warships steamed into the heightening and perhaps decisive action, shattering railway communications in the foot of Italy and setting the port of Catane afire, and American warships shelled enemy land positions in Sicily ahead of the advancing U. S. Seventh Army troops.

This American advance also swept up Messina six miles directly south of San Stefano as the troops of Lieut. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., cracked through the Etna defenses.

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ALLIED SEA UNITS JOIN SICILIAN ATTACK—In waters off Sicily's northeast coast (A) and into the narrow strait of Messina, American motor torpedo boat squadrons and British naval detachments were reported darting into gulfs and harbors in new attacks. Americans and Canadians in renewed land fighting July 31 were reported to have captured San Stefano and Mistretta, while the British reported "good progress" in drive toward Catania. Dotted line indicates approximate battlefront before newest successes.

Abolition of OWI Will Be Proposed By Rep. Barry

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Rep. Barry (D-NY) said today he would propose abolition of the Office of War Information (OWI) and transfer of its activities to the state department, when congress reconvenes next month.

Recent "irresponsible utterances" of the OWI regarding the Italian king and Marshal Badoglio, Barry asserted in a statement, "might very well have caused the loss of many thousands of American lives."

The staff of OWI appears to be filled with fellow travelers of communists who are more interested in propagandizing their own doctrines than in winning the war," Barry said. "They are causing consternation and confusion in the occupied countries."

Allied Naval Units Active.
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS in North Africa, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Allied naval forces bombarded the Italian harbor of Vibo Valentia Marina above the toe of Italy, a railway bridge across the River Oliva 22 miles to the north and the harbor of Catane, in action from Saturday night through early Sunday, a naval communiqué announced today.

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NEW YORK'S HARLEM DISTRICT SCENE OF BLOODY RIOTING

SIX NEGROES DEAD; MANY PERSONS INJURED BATTLING POLICE

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Mayor F. H. La Guardia imposed a 10:30 p. m. curfew upon the Harlem district today after declaring the disorders in which six persons died and 201, including 40 policemen, were injured, had been under control.

At the same time the mayor announced that a committee of 1,500 persons, mostly negroes, with nightsticks and wearing identification bands, would aid authorities in patrolling Harlem's streets tonight in an effort to prevent recurrence of the disorders.

Meanwhile, Major General Thomas A. Terry, commanding the Second Service Command, said he would not declare Harlem out of military bounds. General Terry, who conferred with the mayor, said, however, that all soldiers in the district would be asked to state legitimate reasons for being there.

Mayor La Guardia declared that the disorders were now under control today after a night of outbreaks in which six negroes were killed, 195 persons, mostly negroes, and including 40 policemen were injured, and more than 380 persons arrested as looting of stores continued.

In his third radio appeal since trouble started last night when a policeman shot a negro who was attempting to interfere with the officer's arrest of a negro woman in a hotel lobby, the mayor emphasized what he had said earlier: "This was not a race riot. There was no conflict between groups of our citizens."

What happened was the thoughtless, criminal acts of hoodlums, reckless, irresponsible people. Shame has come to our city and sorrow to a great number of decent, law-abiding citizens residing in the Harlem district.

"These thoughtless hoodlums had no one to fight with. They gave vent to their feelings by breaking windows and looting stores."

Six thousand policemen were on duty in Harlem and all police leaves were cancelled. Firemen

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U. S. NAVY BOMBERS HACKED AWAY AT JAP BARRIERS TO MUNDIA

NO MENTION, HOWEVER, OF GROUND ACTIVITY ABOUT OBJECTIVE

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS in the Southwest Pacific, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Navy bombers hacked away Sunday at Japanese barriers commanding the approaches to Munda.

Escorted by army and navy fighters, the bombers dropped 27 tons of explosives on gun positions and supply dumps around the strongly-fortified central Solomons airbase. Many of the bombs fell squarely on their targets.

For the second consecutive day the communiqué from General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters said nothing about how American troops were doing around Munda. Aside from bombing attacks there, it held only of scattered air activity.

Five barges were destroyed off Cape Gloucester, New Britain, and a reconnaissance plane bombed Lae, New Guinea, with unreported results. Fires were started in enemy oil installations at Bosla, Ceram Island, northwest of New Guinea.

Harder blows were struck at the Japanese Saturday just before heavy weather closed in, as

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FALL OF MUSSOLINI'S FASCIST REGIME LIKELY TO HAVE GREAT EFFECT ON MORALE ALL AXIS

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
The downfall of the dozen of European dictators, and the miserable collapse of his fascist regime, strike me as likely to have a much greater effect on the morale of other axis adherents than would have been the case had Mussolini and his government gone down to defeat in unity with flag flying.

True, the allies had decreed death for fascism. But it's one thing for an ism that's been toyed with by numerous countries to die with its boots on in battle, and quite another for it to go down with a bullet in its back running away. Such an ignominious end is bound to trouble deep waters in other axis-inclined countries where people are wondering whether their own governments are worth fighting for, or at least have come to recognize that the Hitlerian cause is a snare and a delusion.

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"BLOODY RIDGE" STORMED AND TAKEN BY U. S. TROOPS

AMERICANS TAKE ROCK FORTRESS DESPITE TERRIBLE HEAVY FIRE

By HAROLD V. BOYLE
WITH THE U. S. INFANTRY ON "Bloody Ridge," Sicily, July 30.—(Delayed)—(AP)—The capture of "Bloody Ridge" an almost perpendicular hill mass barring the American advance east along the northern coast toward the mountain village of Stefano during the battle of the brief Sicilian campaign.

This natural rock-studded fortress held by Germans entrenched with machineguns in protecting draws and ravines was stormed and taken yesterday in blinding heat.

Twice the day before American troops were beaten back by unbearably heavy fire from the Nazi defenders, but the third time they took and held it through a fierce counterattack during which four American machinegunners, one whose arm was blown off, died at their flaming guns.

Officers of American outfits who fought in North Africa said the taking of "Bloody Ridge"—the nickname given it by the boys who fought there—was comparable to the seizing of formidable Hill 609 in Tunisia whose fall paved the way to the capture of Mateur in the closing days of the campaign.

Here is the story of "Bloody Ridge" told to me by the boys who captured it.

New York Private Tells Story.
Pvt. Terry Wolfe, New York City, worked his way down the slope for a drink. He was dripping sweat like a faucet.

"It was tough taking, but we took it and we will kick hell out of anybody who tries to take it from us," he said. He looked at my military guide, Pvt. Henry Mills of Altoona, Pa., and said, "You were up here yesterday, weren't you?"

Mills nodded.

"Well, then you know how it went. We started up with a battalion yesterday morning and got driven off. Then we came back up again and got bounced right off. We came up a third time yesterday and now we're here to stay."

"We are lucky any of us are alive—We were up here the whole day under heavy fire without food or water," said Pvt. Frank Larosa, Brooklyn, New York.

Sgt. Russell Glad of Stratton, See BLOODY RIDGE, Page 6

SPEAKER DANIEL OF TEXAS HOUSE NOW MEMBER OF ARMY

STEVENSON CONFERS WITH EDUCATION BOARD ON SPECIAL SESSION

AUSTIN, Aug. 2.—(AP)—If the Texas legislature is called into special session by Gov. Coke R. Stevenson, the house of representatives will probably have a new speaker.

It was learned on good authority here today that Speaker Price Daniel of Liberty has enlisted in the army, and is now Private M. P. Daniel, temporarily assigned to a reception center.

Meanwhile, the governor was conferring with members of the board of education in executive session before making up his mind to call the session in an effort to re-arrange the rural aid appropriation to help wipe out the deficit in the general fund and put the state on a cash basis as provided by a constitutional amendment adopted at the last general election.

A decision was expected today.

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THEIR FIGHTING'S DONE—Under a white flag and with arms raised, these Italians advance to surrender to United Nations forces near Palermo, Sicily. This is an official British photo.

RED ARMY TROOPS CONTINUE TIGHTEN GRIP AROUND OREL

MANY VILLAGES RECAPTURED AND 3,000 GERMAN DEAD LEFT ON FIELD

MOSCOW, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Red army troops, continuing the slow, relentless investment of the German defenses around Orel, yesterday hurled the Nazis out of 100 villages and tightened the pincers threatening that base with advances at five to 12 miles, the Russians reported today.

Soviet troops operating to the north and northwest of the city beat off counterattacks in a drive which took 40 villages, leaving 3,000 German dead on the field, and smashing a number of tanks, and guns and heavy artillery, a communiqué said.

The spearhead operating to the northwest of the city is aiming at cutting the Orel-Bryansk railway, feeder line for the Orel base.

Front line dispatches reported the Russian air force was relentlessly harassing the Nazis in an attempt to prevent them from consolidating new lines.

The Soviet advance to the south of Orel was somewhat hampered by numerous enemy mines, and Soviet engineers in one day cleared 4,000 land mines from 23 separate fields.

Counterattacks in the sectors east of Orel were repulsed. And Soviet troops reported capturing quantities of German war material.

The Red army met with other successes in sharp fighting south of Orel.

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More Than 500 German Fighters Downed in July

LONDON, Aug. 2.—(AP)—American bombers and fighters, challenging Germany's best aircraft in broad daylight over enemy territory, shot down more than 500 Nazi fighters during July at the cost of 108 Flying Fortresses, the U. S. Eighth Airforce announced yesterday.

While American fighter losses were not listed, the report said that all American losses dropped less than four per cent during the month despite the heavier opposition yet met, and that American aircraft destroyed 75 per cent more enemy fighters in July than in the previous month.

More than 3,600 bombs were dropped on Europe during July by the American forces, said the report, which did not estimate the total tonnage.

The report added that final figures on enemy fighters downed during the last two days in the month have not been compiled and the figure 500 was based on a "conservative average for the month."

In addition, more than 150 fighters probably were destroyed and more than 275 were damaged.

PTA Activities.
AUSTIN, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Approximately 2,000 local unit packages containing 1943-44 programs, handbooks and other materials have been sent Parent-Teacher groups by the Texas Congress of Parent and Teachers officer here.

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IMPORTANT GAINS ALONG NORTH AND EAST COAST AREAS

AMERICANS TAKE SAN STEFANO AND BRITISH START CATANIA DRIVE

By CARL C. CHAMBER
Associated Press War Editor.
American doughboys have captured "Bloody Ridge" and moved on to take San Stefano in a drive that may presage a Sicilian breakthrough along the north coast, and the British Eighth Army has sprung a long-prepared offensive along the East Coast, allied headquarters dispatches announced today.

Simultaneously with the unleashing of powerful land and sea blows in the Sicilian-Italian theater, it was announced that Flying Fortresses, smashing at Naples with 600-pound bombs had reopened the violent air offensive against the Italian mainland, fulfilling Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's threat to bomb the kingdom out of the war.

Hopes that the temporizing regime of Marshal Pietro Badoglio would make peace subsided as Madrid dispatches reported that the Germans had taken advantage of the Italian government's hesitation and moved 18 divisions—190,000 to 270,000 men—into the area of the Alpine Po.

Dispatches from Switzerland, too, said German troops—main obstacle to peace in Italy—were determined to stay.

The Naples railway station was "almost completely destroyed," the Gas works blown up, two trains ported hit and a big oil dump exploded, and many buildings and planes wrecked at nearby Capodichino airbase in the Flying Fortress assault.

Nearing Messina.
The capture of San Stefano placed the Axis army within about 60 miles of Messina Strait.

The Eighth Army was said to have gained important positions in its first push toward Catania. Crumbling the whole right wing of the German-Etnea line, the Americans were officially disclosed within the last 24 hours to have captured 12 more towns, besides others which had been previously reported.

Among the captured places was Mistretta, six miles south of San Stefano. Ten thousand prisoners were taken at Mistretta, the majority of them German.

Masses of Allied aircraft appeared today to be bringing down the European roof on the axis' head. Catching a contagion of near panic, Berliners not essential to the war effort were reported to have been ordered to leave the German capital.

Nazi officials were reported in Stockholm dispatches to be convinced that allied air fleets were about finished with knocking St. Hamburg and were ready to go on.

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ONTARIO ELECTION WEDNESDAY IS LABORATORY TEST JUST HOW POPULAR MACKENZIE KING IS

(DeWitt Mackenzie, foreign affairs analyst for the Associated Press, has been asked to study the significance of Wednesday's state election there. Here is the story of what he found.)

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
TORONTO, Canada, Aug. 2.—(AP)—The election which is being held next Wednesday in Ontario, wealthiest and most populous of all Canada's provinces, ostensibly is a state affair but in reality it is a laboratory test to determine how the national government of Prime Minister Mackenzie King stands in the esteem of the voters of the Dominion.

As the people of the United States look to Maine, and the political wind is blowing, so now Canada is watching Ontario. Mackenzie King's opposition charges that he forced the Ontario election in order to determine his own strength. The point is, they say, that he wants to know whether to hold a national election in the near future, or allow his government to run its natural life until 1945. Success in a new election would return him to power for five years.

The Ontario election is a battle royal among three parties. There are the old-line organizations, the liberals and the conservatives (now called progressive conservatives), whom there is the Socialist Party which marches into battle under the designation of the co-operative commonwealth federation, which naturally has become just C.C.F.

The platforms all provide for sweeping social reforms which are in line with the so-called "leftist" swing (this doesn't refer to a communistic tendency but to great social changes) which long has been in evidence not only in Canada but in the United States and Britain. The announced programs are so much alike that you could flip a coin to make your choice, excepting for the Socialists who include in their reforms the social ownership of all

ST. LOUIS MAYOR AND NINE OTHERS KILLED IN CRASH
WING OF GLIDER FALLS AND IT PLUMMETED TO EARTH

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Before a large crowd of horror-stricken Sunday spectators, a troop-carrying army glider, its right wing gone, plummeted nose down for 1,500 feet and crashed near a runway at Lambert-St. Louis Field, carrying to its deaths 10 persons, including Maj. William B. Robertson, pioneer airplane manufacturer whose company built the glider.

Mayor William De Becker and three other city officials, and Thomas H. Dwyer, president of the chamber of commerce, were killed in the crash which occurred during the army's first public glider demonstration here.

Lt. Col. J. R. Johnston, army airforces public relations officer, described the crash as the nation's first fatal glider accident since the army began use of the motorless planes two years ago.

Besides Robertson, Becker and Dwyer, the dead were: Charles L. Cunningham, deputy city comptroller; Henry L. Mueller, presiding judge of the St. Louis county court; Harold A. Krueger, 26-year old vice president and general manager of the Robertson Aircraft Corporation, founded by Robertson; Lt. Col. Paul H. Hazelton of the

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NAZI RETREAT

It is the Germans now who are "doing a Dunkirk." The haughty Hitlerites who were expected to keep the Allied forces out of Sicily have been driven back to the northeastern corner of that island in full retreat. Their hope has been to escape across the Strait of Messina into the toe of the Italian boot, and there to bar the Allies from launching an invasion of the Italian peninsula itself. But the avenging Allies will follow the fugitives, as the Germans did not dare to do in the British Channel retreat. So it is the Germans and their reluctant Italian partners who are being booted now. And they will be pushed remorselessly up that long peninsula, as Rommel was across North Africa, until they are captured or scattered.

"Our troops executed ordered movements according to plan," explained the Berlin radio as the retreat began. That is what Hitler and his insolent destroyers will probably be doing regularly on all fronts from now on.

INEPT JAPS

The amusing peculiarities of the legendary "heaven Chinese," made famous by Bret Harte long before this present war, were nothing to the weird ways of the heathen Japanese as revealed now. The discerning Maj. George Fielding Elliot, foremost commentator of the present war, comes right out with it, calling pointed attention to the Japs' "ways that are strange and tricks that are dark."

For example, ever since the fighting started on Guadalcanal a year ago, those Jap supermen have been sending task forces against the Americans taking a toehold in the south Pacific, but have never sent enough men to do the job. They just seem to fiddle and mess around, and lose their men and ships and planes, and wear themselves down, for lack of concerted and effective power where power is needed.

This might be a rash thing to say, on the supposition that it tends to arouse the Japs and spur them to make a real all-out effort in the Pacific. But if the Major knows his war stuff, as he apparently does, the Japs have already so fiddled away their strength that their power is visibly declining.

THE RUBBER SHORTAGE

It is almost incredible, even yet, that so vast a disturbance in the habits and comforts of the American people should have been produced by cutting off the rubber supply. But month by month and year by year the lesson is being rubbed into the national consciousness. Many Americans are walking on their uppers, and many others are beginning—when they can persuade the authorities that they merit such luxury—to buy artificial rubber inferior to the real article.

In justice to the American people, and as a logical punishment for the Japs who got us into this fix, one of the first clauses in the peace treaty at the end of this war should be an imperative demand that the Japs immediately replenish the American supply of natural rubber.

"Hot American Fire Outers Nazis." And it's hotter than that, where a lot of them are going.

Edgar A. Guest

The Foot of the People

THE CROW.

The crow appears a mighty bird
And very smart, his said,
While undisturbed he views the
herd
From treetops overhead.

While no one challenges his might
He rules the country scene,
The biggest feathered thing in
sight

And selfish, sly and mean.
When six or seven crows convene
They set their sentries out
To signal loudly when are seen
Their enemies about.

But should a gallant kingbird, small,
Come wheeling into sight,
They beat it for the forest fall
And will not stay to fight.

The kingbird drives them as he
wills
Until fatigued they fall,
For crows are mostly beaks and
quills,
And have no heart at all.

WHERE FOOD WILL GO

The United Nations must be prepared to afford relief to 160,000,000 people between now and the end of next year. So the Baltimore Kiwanis Club was told lately by Francis B. Sayre, deputy director of the State Department's office of foreign relief and rehabilitation.

These people are our friends of conquered Europe. As soon as they have a chance, they will contribute actively toward winning the war. Their needs are one reason for the food shortage. But in such a cause Americans should be willing to tighten their belts.

WACS TO ENGLAND

Hundreds of American WACS landing in England lately have been joyfully welcomed by the British people. It is the first feminine expeditionary force to Britain. They are having an interesting experience, but that is merely incidental to an important job. They have quickly settled down to do what they went for.

There is plenty to do, and they are not delicate or "choosy" about it. They will grease airplane motors, plot weather maps, operate telephone switchboards, release male clerks and stepographers for combat duty, and so on.

It may seem like "carrying coals to Newcastle." The British women themselves originated the very modern plan of enlisting their sex in almost countless forms of war service, with uniforms to distinguish their functions and rank. American women now fall naturally into the same kind of work, with some added, perhaps, that British women have overlooked. It is a new illustration of the expansion and variation of the war effort.

THE COLISEUM STANDS

There has been relief, not only among Italians but among civilized people in general, that in the great bombing of Rome by American flyers not only the sacred buildings were saved, but other famous relics of more distant past. Foremost among the latter the great Coliseum which has dominated the city for nearly 2,000 years, and furnished the pattern for many a modern American stadium.

If the Nazis had been bombing Italy, they might have destroyed the Coliseum as they have done with so many other great relics of the past in so many countries. Their savage depredations in London make it seem only too likely. Hitler, the modern Hun, might have done it from sheer jealousy that any such famous monument should exist outside of Germany—which was merely a tribe of savages when the Coliseum was built. But naturally such a crime against civilization would never have been possible for Americans, with their reverence for antiquity. The Italians themselves have now been reassured on that point.

The latest thing in aviation is a helicopter flivver plane which, they say, goes like helicopter.

We seem now to be getting into a period of government by columnists.

THE LITTLEST KING



Edgar Hutchins Endorses Stand Gov. Stevenson

Edgar Hutchins, member of the legislature from Greenville, Hunt county, and Navarro county delinquent tax attorney, Friday endorsed Gov. Coke R. Stevenson, writing the state chief executive is taking relative to the elimination of the deficit in the general fund, and urging a special session of the legislature to pass legislation favored by Stevenson. Judge Hutchins asserted Friday that he favored such a step and characterized the championing of the measure by the governor as "one of the most far-reaching steps in statesmanship of any administration."

Pointing out the loss of the advantage of cash buying on the part of the state as warrants must be held several months before they are payable, Judge Hutchins also stressed the cost of government was increased by the loss of the value of discount.

The proposal advanced by the governor is for the public schools to be financed strictly out of school taxes and permit the general fund to retain all of its income from the state ad valorem tax and thereby wipe out the general fund deficit in a couple of years without a bond issue and its attendant interest costs.

URGES DESTRUCTION COTTON STALKS KILL PINK BOLL WORMS

SAN ANTONIO, July 30.—(P)—The destruction of cotton stalks in the lowest tier of the grandstands of the pink boll worm infestation in the Lower Rio Grande Valley region was urged today by J. E. McDonald, state commissioner of agriculture, and L. P. Carl, in charge of the local pink boll worm control division here.

The infestation of the pest is especially serious in Cameron county and the eastern portion of Hidalgo county and the epidemic is so widespread that federal and state agencies are checking conditions in many fields. The purpose of this check is to give heavily infested fields an extensive clean-up which will involve the cutting of stalks and burning of crop residue.

In all cases farmers will be required to clean the fields in compliance with state regulations except in fields where public funds will be used for an extensive clean-up to prevent spread of the pest to new areas.

For the first time since 1939 the worm has caused commercial damage to cotton fields in the Valley. It was reported.

Kerens Birthday Club Entertained

KERENS, July 30.—(Sp)—Mrs. Elmin Howell entertained the members of the Birthday Club at her home in North Kerens Tuesday. A delectable luncheon was served at twelve and the afternoon was spent sewing and talking. Those present were: Mesdames L. H. Holt, R. H. Mays, A. L. Bain, Carrie McKinney, Pat Murphy, Bob Ford, Horace Nesome, Lee Couch, E. M. Forehand, and Charles Rowan of Trinidad. Robert Travis, W. L. Bain, Sr., and Bert Washburn.

C. B. Ray Takes New Texas A. and M. Job
COLLEGE STATION, July 30.—(P)—Appointment of C. B. Ray as organization and co-operative marketing specialists for the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service, effective August 16, was announced today by Director H. H. Williamson. He will succeed C. E. Bowles, who resigned to become secretary of the Houston Bank for Cooperatives.

Information From Navarro County Rationing Board

Beginning in mid-August most new cooking and heating stoves for home use will be rationed on a nation-wide basis in order to be sure of an adequate supply of available stoves for those who need them, to conserve scarce metals, labor, factory and transportation facilities, and to save fuel, according to the relative shortages of fuel, oil, gas, coal, and wood in various sections of the country, local rationing board Chairman Wilbur Wright pointed out Saturday.

The list of new stoves designed include all new ones designed to burn coal, wood, oil or gas for domestic use. Neither are any types of used or secondhand stoves to be rationed.

An applicant for a stove petitioning his local war price and rationing board in advance and a certificate to buy the kind of a stove he needs. If obtained, this certificate is taken to a dealer where it is surrendered either at the time the dealer orders his stock, or upon delivery. Because of the limited number of stoves available each board will be given a quota based on a study of the needs of the community, Wright said.

Personal Mention

Of Kerens Folk

KERENS, July 30.—(Sp)—Mrs. Dudley Gray of Oceola, Florida, is visiting in the home of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Gray, before leaving for Dallas for an extended visit with her mother, Mrs. Mavis Carson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hulan were Dallas visitors Wednesday. Miss Hulan is spending her vacation in Kerens with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Simmons.

Mrs. Lela Hemphill has accepted a position at the P. and S. hospital in Corsicana.

Miss Adelaide Young who has been working in Austin with the State Dept. of Education is spending her vacation in Kerens with her mother, Mrs. Minnie Young.

Mrs. Alice De Sina is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Lester Jackson in Beaumont this week.

Mrs. W. R. Penny spent Tuesday in Corsicana in the home of her daughter Mrs. Roy Neece.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Miller and sons, Bill and Jimmie of Hubbard are visiting in the home of their daughter and husband, Rev. and Mrs. Finis Hodges.

Mrs. Ben Miller was a Corsicana visitor Wednesday.

Infant Daughter Of Emhouse Couple Buried Black Hills

Burial services for Beulah Fay, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Davis, Emhouse were held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Black Hills church and were conducted by Rev. Mr. Vaughn. Burial was in the Black Hills cemetery.

Surviving are the parents, a sister, Genell, a twin brother, Emhouse; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Cook, Drane, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Davis, Black Hills, and other relatives.

Corley's Funeral Home directed the arrangements.

Rites Wednesday For W. C. Ashford

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon from the First Baptist church in Blooming Grove for W. C. Ashford, aged 76 years, who died at an early hour Tuesday. Burial was in the Dresden cemetery.

A native of Tennessee, he came to Texas at the age of five years and for the past 45 years had resided in the Raleigh and Blooming Grove communities.

Surviving are his wife, a son, Robert Ashford, Rice; a daughter, Miss May Ashford, Barry; 11 grandchildren, one great-grandchild and other relatives.

Two SP Officials Killed in Train Accident Friday

Two Southern Pacific Lines officials of Ennis were instantly killed north of Richland about 10:30 o'clock Friday morning when their small rail motorcar was struck by a southbound freight train, it was revealed in information received from Richland.

They were Harry Slabotsky, 49, division engineer, and R. M. Purdum, roadmaster. The two men were said to have left Corsicana earlier in the morning and had been inspecting a bridge repair job on the Richland Creek bridge immediately before the accident.

The bodies of the two officials were thrown from the motorcar south of the embankment immediately south of the southern end of the creek trestle, and reports reaching Corsicana later in the day were to the effect that the motorcar was lodged on the crotch of the trestle.

T. M. Spence, Ennis division superintendent for the railroad, commented for the railroad company during the noon hour and immediately inaugurated an investigation into the accident. He said that he had not learned the details and particulars of the collision.

A freight train left Corsicana toward Richland shortly after 10 a. m., it was stated.

The bodies of the two men were brought to Corsicana in a Sutherland-McCannon ambulance and later in the afternoon were sent to Ennis where funeral arrangements will be made.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD AT BARRY FOR OSCAR M. WOODRUFF

Funeral services for Oscar M. Woodruff, age 42 years, who died at his home in Barry Friday, were held from the Baptist church there Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

A resident of that community for a number of years, he was well known in that section.

Surviving are his wife, three sons, R. G. Woodruff, Dallas; Ray Woodruff, Oklahoma City; Murray Woodruff, U. S. Army in Arizona; a daughter, Mrs. J. T. Garnett, Dallas and other relatives.

Homemaking Teacher At Mildred Taking Special TSCW Course

DENTON, July 30.—(Sp)—Miss Katherine Marie Strother is one of several students studying a special course in Child Development at Texas State College for Women this summer.

A graduate of the TSCW, Miss Strother is continuing her study in the field of home economics, in which she received her Bachelor of Science degree.

Miss Strother plans to go directly into nursery school work this year. Last year she taught homemaking at Mildred, Texas. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Strother of Sweeney, Texas.

Representative of ODT Be Here Aug. 3 To Hear Complaints

Operators of commercial vehicles who have complaints about the amount of gasoline they are getting or want to make adjustments of any kind in their gasoline ration may meet a district representative of the Office of Defense Transportation Tuesday, Aug. 3 at the Chamber of Commerce.

Robert G. Dillard, secretary manager, announced Saturday that he had received a letter from Aubrey E. Stringer of Waco, ODT district manager, stating that a representative of the district office would be in Corsicana next Tuesday to confer with commercial vehicle users to make adjustments and hear complaints.

Have something you don't need? Try a Want Ad and convert it into cash. Just phone 163.

New Surgical Dressings Quota Finally Arrives

A call has been issued for workers to report at the Red Cross workroom on Monday morning at 9 o'clock, to begin work on the June quota which has arrived, after being delayed for many weeks. Instructors will be on hand to assist those who have not had previous instruction. The new quota consists of 30,000 2x2's, 36,000 4x4's and 14,400 4x8's, making a total of 70,400 dressings that must be completed at the earliest possible moment.

Cooling System Installed

A washed air cooling system has been installed, and Mesdames A. B. Horn and W. H. Hastings promise the women that the workroom will be the coolest and most comfortable place in town next week.

April and May Quotas Completed

The April and May quotas of dressings were finally finished by a few faithful workers, and the chairman wish to thank all who assisted in the work. The dressings, which are now neatly packed in seven large boxes ready for shipment to destination designated by the American Red Cross, include 14,400 4x8's, 9,000 4x4's, and 60,000 2x2's.

The chairman state that the county women completed 58,500 of the 60,000 2x2's, and that they are deeply grateful to them for their assistance. They are being invited to assist with the June quota.

Aid of Girls Appreciated

Appreciation of the thirty-five college and High School girls, who assisted on the last quota, was also expressed by Mesdames Horn and Hastings and these girls and all others who will, are urged to contribute as many hours as possible to the quota that has just arrived.

The officers of the day and packers are requested to report for duty on Monday morning at 9 o'clock at the workroom on West Fifth avenue.

It is the hope of Red Cross officials that the workroom will be a beehive of activity from Monday morning at 9 o'clock until the quota is finished and packed, ready to ship to any destination designated by the national organization.

Mrs. Horn is requesting workers who left dresses at Kinsloe House, when that was surgical dressings headquarters, to call for them, have them laundered, wear them over to the new workroom and be ready to work on Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL SESSION DISCUSS FINANCES

County Judge E. D. McCormick called the attention of the commissioners Saturday to several matters needing consideration in the budget for 1944 that will be passed on by the court within the near future. The court met in special session Saturday morning instead of meeting Monday.

Judge McCormick said that Dr. J. Wilson Davis, of the health advisory committee had indicated \$1,000 or more additional funds would be required for the city-county health unit. The county judge said that the city of Corsicana was advised with on various matters by the personnel of the unit and reports were made to the city commission, but that the county, a larger contributor, was not advised with on any matter or given any reports. He suggested that if the county was to participate further, it should assert itself as the major sponsor, or drop it unless the entire county was to be served and not the City of Corsicana alone.

Judge McCormick reminded the court that about \$75 per month goes to the civilian defense organization and \$40 per month to the home guard. The health agents are paid \$30 per month out of county funds, supplemented by a larger amount by the state and federal governments, and a request has been received for \$50 additional for an assistant home demonstration agent.

Claims were allowed except as noted on the docket.

A. A. Hart was appointed constable in Precinct 4, Dawson.

J. E. Cox, Kerens, asked about payment for a mule killed in a bridge repair. The court cited a ruling that the county could not pay damages in similar cases.

Eddy Mackland, who has the contract for pulling piling from the interurban right-of-way, said he had pulled 101 poles and was quitting as it was impossible to accomplish the job, and presented a bill for \$303 for those already pulled.

A \$248 bill for jurors and special veniremen in the C. T. Barnett case here, a transferred murder case from Crockett, was submitted to the court by the Hon. J. W. Barnett. Barnett was acquitted here Thursday morning.

Former Dawson Girl Weds Aviation Cadet In Houston, July 17

Miss Nana Beth McCulloch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. McCulloch of Waco, became the bride of William J. Jacks, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Jacks of Waco Saturday, July 17, in the Magnolia Park Street Baptist church in Houston.

Mrs. Jacks is a graduate of Dawson High school and is now employed with the Waco News-Tribune. Mr. Jacks is a graduate of Waco High school and before his enlistment in the army was connected with a Waco firm. He is now an aviation cadet, stationed at Ellington Field.

Mrs. Chester Prater and son of Dawson were among the out-of-town guests at the ceremony.

Mississippi Ass'n Meeting Called Off

The annual meeting of the Mississippi Association will not be held this year due to war conditions. It has been announced by O. E. Steene, president of the association, that the act of postponing the meeting was taken at recent meeting of the executive committee.



NOW AT AMARILLO—Sgt. George Wesley Bolen, 24, U. S. Air Force, is now stationed at Amarillo. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bolen of the Pickett community and has been in the service for a year. He is a graduate of the Purdon high school. A brother, Staff Sgt. W. M. Bolen, also in the U. S. Air Force, is stationed at Homestead, Florida.

Officers of the Chapter, which have its object the prevention of infantile paralysis and the raising of funds each year to assist in the abolition of the disease as follows: David Ralston, chairman; W. M. Davidson, first vice chairman; Mrs. W. L. Hendon, Richard, second vice chairman; Mrs. A. G. Elliott, secretary; Mrs. A. E. Hamant, treasurer; Mrs. W. K. Steele, Chairman Ladies' Aid.

Members of Board

Members of the Board of Directors, who assist in the work of the organization are as follows: Dr. W. T. Shell, Dr. E. F. Waters, Dr. E. C. Bowmer, Dr. W. S. David, Dr. Will Miller, Dr. W. K. Logsdon, Mrs. F. W. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hendon, Richard; J. C. Clayton, Bruce; Mrs. W. G. Watson, Barry; Mrs. Seth Story, Angus; Krues, McCormick, Bloomington; J. B. Bradley, Rice; Chas. Weaver, Dawson; J. A. Bonner, Eureka; E. P. Estes, Roane; Bob Witherspoon, Chatfield; W. B. Payne, Purkay; F. Foster, Pierce, Corsicana, and Mrs. H. G. Brown, Corsicana.

Former Corsicanan Is Now Prisoner of War in Germany

Corsicana and Trinidad friends have had messages within the past few days from Tech. Sgt. Coy Martin, who was reared at the State Home, saying that he is now a prisoner of war in Germany. He stated that he was a gunner and radio man on a Flying Fortress, and was shot down over Germany on February 4th. He parachuted to safety, and states he would enjoy making another parachute jump.

Sgt. Martin is desirous of letting his friends know that he is now a prisoner. He states that he is getting along fine, but would like for the American Red Cross to send him a tooth brush and some cigarettes.

Sgt. Martin's sister, Miss Mae Martin, who is also well known here, and who is now employed by the F. B. I. in Washington, D. C., has been asked for a picture of her brother to be placed in the Hall of Fame, since he and other members of his crew were decorated for bravery. Two of his buddies are prisoners of war with him.

Need Equipment For Treatment Of Paralysis

At a recent meeting of the Navarro county chapter for infantile paralysis, attention was called to the need of equipment for administering the Kenny treatment when prescribed by the attending physician.

A call is now being made upon the citizenship of Navarro county for old wool blankets—75 to 100 per cent wool; cotton blankets and clothes wringers. These articles are difficult to purchase at the present time, therefore the chapter would appreciate the donation of same. The articles may be left at the city-county health unit headquarters in the basement of the State National Bank.

Mr. Farmer

Bring us your hens, fryers, eggs and sour cream. We will pay you the highest market price in cash.

F. E. L. MCANUS, 210 E. 5th Ave.

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State National Bank OF CORSICANA

MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

W. H. "BILL" SMITH ELECTED COMMANDER LOCAL LEGION POST

H. P. PHILLIPS, RETIRING OFFICIAL, REVIEWED YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

W. H. (Bill) Smith, manager of the J. C. Penney Store, will take over his duties as commander of the Johnson-Wiggins Post No. 22, American Legion on Sept. 1, following his election Thursday night to succeed H. P. Phillips.

Other officers elected include L. V. Majors, first vice commander; Joe M. Daniels, second vice commander; Henry Levy, post adjutant; and Fred W. Blucher, finance officer.

The slate of officers was reported by the nominating committee composed of Bill Cruise, George Baum, and Gabe Goldberg.

Active in local and State Legion affairs and in civic enterprises, Smith is secretary of the Corsicana Citizens Club, president of the Dad's Club, and served as service officer for the Legion for two terms. He was adjutant of the Okmulgee, Okla., Legion several years ago.

The new post commander served for a year overseas during World War I in the 1st Artillery Headquarters Brigade. He lived in Corsicana from 1921 to 1929, when he moved to Oklahoma, and returned as manager of the Penney Store in 1938.

Commander Phillips reviewed an active year's work as head of the local Legion post.

Successful Year.

Among the activities he reported to the membership Thursday night were the establishment of units of the Texas State Home Guard in Corsicana and Kerens, organizing the home and county defense organizations, collecting old photograph records for servicemen, sponsoring the drive for shotguns and rifles, organizing a Navy Club, assisting in organizing the Hospitality Center, organizing a Victory Corps to give military training to high school boys, organizing a War Council among Corsicana businessmen, and assisting in WAAC recruiting.

Other Activities.

The Legion, Commander Phillips reported, sent two Corsicana boys to "Boys State" in Austin for a week beginning June 9, had two members commissioned in the Shurtliff Division for getting 25 or more new members, shipped 25,000 cigarettes to servicemen overseas, decorated graves of all veterans on Decoration Day, assisted in the bond sale during the exhibit of the Japanese submarine, entertained select draft board members, and sent two members to Washington in the interest of a Navy hospital being located in Corsicana.

GRANDDAD WAS RIGHT; TONY HAD COME WITH AMERICAN TROOPS

By REILMAN MORIN.
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS in North Africa, July 30.—(Delayed)—The old man's eyes were dark and pleading.

He had taken off his straw hat and was standing on the white-hot street in Palermo in front of a building guarded by a tall American soldier. He spoke rapidly in Italian. Then he stopped and his eyes anxiously searched the soldier's face. The soldier shook his head.

"No compres, pop," he said.

From the inside of the building a voice bellowed: "What's going on out there?"

"There's an old guy trying to tell me something, but I can't say what he wants," the guard said. "He's a nice old guy, too."

Other voices heavy with sleep murmured, "Can the bag?"

The soldiers were doing tired.

The guard looked at the old man again. The old man's eyes were hopeful. The soldier whispered, "You wait a second, pop."

He slipped inside the doorway and stood for a moment until his eyes were accustomed to the cool darkness of the room. Then putting his way carefully between the rows of men stretched on the stone floor he tiptoed over to the extreme corner. There he bent down and shook one of the sleeping men. "Hey, Tony," he whispered.

"What's up? What's happening?"

"Can you come outside a second, Tony?" the guard asked.

"There's an old guy out there who wants something, and I thought maybe you could talk to him on account you can speak this lingo."

A few minutes later Private Tony Calato of San Francisco was in the old man's arms and the old man was crying and laughing and kissing the soldier on both cheeks while the bewildered guard and other soldiers watched with amazement.

"He's my granddad," said Private Calato. "He was born here and so when Gramp saw the American army in Palermo he figured I'd surely be along and he's been hunting for me."

Business Concerns

Moving Locations

During Week-End

Three Corsicana business establishments and offices had moved or were moving Saturday to new locations.

The State Department of Public Welfare has moved from the Jester Estate building at 112 South Beaton across the street to 117 South Beaton into the Leverman building.

The West End Flower Shop is moving into the Jester Estate building from its former location at 118 North Beaton. The Carter Fashion Shop is moving to the building formerly occupied by the flower shop.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this way of thanking each one who was so kind to us during the death and funeral of our mother, Mrs. C. M. Spence.

Especially do we thank those who sent flowers, and the ladies for preparing the nice dinner May God bless each of you is our prayer.

R. E. SPENCE and Family.

MRS. J. J. MILLER and Family.



POST COMMANDER—W. H. (Bill) Smith, active in local and State Legion affairs and civic enterprises, veteran of World War I, was elected post commander of Johnson-Wiggins Post No. 22, Thursday night and will assume his new duties September 1.



Charles G. (Shorty) Winn, chief petty officer, USN, is spending several days with friends and relatives in Corsicana. Hubbard and Bryan before leaving during the war. Winn formerly was connected with the Beaton Motor company here, and recently completed a naval course at Davisville, R. I. Mrs. Winn will remain at Hubbard and Bryan while her husband is absent.

Lieut. Clyde Stroud, U. S. Navy, is spending a week's leave with relatives here. He is a former Corsicana physician and is now stationed at Treasure Island base.

Mrs. J. C. Massey has received the first letter in five months from her son, Pvt. F. E. Massey, stating that he is somewhere in North Africa and sends regards to all.

Pvt. Massey's twin brother, Pfc. Morris L. Massey, is in Fort Sill, Okla., in the field artillery, where he has been for the past three years. Pfc. Massey has received a medal on good behavior and has made a very good record at Fort Sill.

Lt. Zane L. Anderson, son of Mrs. M. Anderson of this city, received his promotion to the rank of first lieutenant on July 11. He is stationed in the South Pacific.

Staff Sgt. James Anderson, also the son of Mrs. M. Anderson, is stationed overseas with the United States army.

Second Lieut. Leo L. York completed officer candidate school in June. Last month he was stationed with the 15th Depot Supply in Reno, Nev. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe York.

Pvt. Tom M. McPherson, selected recently for the U. S. army specialized training program, has been assigned to Hendrix College, where he will take a six-month pre-engineering course. Refresher work began July 12 and regular classes begin August 9.

Corporal Wm. Deen Allen, son of Mrs. Jessie Allen, has arrived safely in England with the United States Army Air Forces ground crew, according to word received here by Cpl. Allen's friends. Previous to overseas duty, he was stationed in Florida.

Lonnie N. Watson has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the army of the United States, after successfully completing a course of training at the adjutant general's school at Fort Washington, Md. Lt. Watson was one of a selected group of enlisted men drawn from virtually all arms and branches of the service and designated to attend the officers' candidate school. During the intensive course he received training in the executive and administrative functions of the United States army.

First Lieutenant Charles T. Boldin, bombardier, United States Air Corps, returned last Sunday from active duty for the past year in Guinea. Lt. Boldin was awarded the air medal for participation in twenty-five successful missions. He will spend his fifteen day leave with his mother, Mrs. Charles Boldin at Purdon; sister, Mrs. Frank Farnes of Corsicana; brother, Arthur Boldin of Corsicana; Clyde Boldin of Purdon; uncle, Charles Lowmire of Dawson; and their respective families.

Cecil Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Warren of 105 West First, has been sent to Bradley College in Peoria, Ill. He was stationed at Waco Army Flying School for several months.

Sgt. Claude E. Pickering has returned to Amarillo Field, Texas, after spending three days in this city with his father, J. E. Pickering, and sister, Miss Jo Pickering.

Pfc. Clifton A. Pickering, who is stationed at the base post office, Fler Field, Alexandria, La., has been enjoying a ten-day furlough here with his wife and friends.

Charles W. Rush, husband of Mrs. Nettie Rush, 1410 1-2 West First avenue, has been promoted from Sergeant to Staff Sergeant at the Altus Army Air Field, Altus, Okla., where he will administrative clerk in the ordnance section. Rush attended high school in Altus and was employed by the T. and N. O. railroad in Corsicana before his enlistment in the Army Air Forces, Oct. 1942.

Neil Gay, U. S. Navy, Corps Christi base, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gay, 1213 West Fourteenth avenue.

Johnny Chirafis, former Tiger grader and a freshman star at the University of Texas last fall, now of Camp Howze, is spending a furlough here. He is in the army.

Staff Sergeant Billie A. McDaniel of Richland has returned to Woodward, Okla., after spending a few days with his wife and mother.

Granville McKenzie, 21, Headquarters Company, 800th Signal Training Regiment, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. McKenzie, live at Dawson, was recently promoted from the grade of private first class, to technician fifth grade. Enlisting last September, he is now assistant in the Special Order Section of the Central Signal Corps School. Before entering

TWO NEW CASES OF TYPHUS REPORTED NAVARRO COUNTY

HEALTH OFFICIALS INTENSIFYING EFFORTS ELIMINATE RATS AND FLIES

With two new cases of typhus reported to the county Friday morning, city and county health officials were intensifying their blitz on rats and flies, known carriers of polio and typhus virus.

Dr. F. E. Sadler, director of the Corsicana-Navarro County Health Department, said two new cases of typhus had been reported in Kerens, where two cases previously had been reported.

"These cases bring the total typhus victims to five," Dr. Sadler pointed out. "Four of the five cases have been in Kerens and the other in Corsicana."

No new cases of infantile paralysis were reported to the health department here, he said.

Dr. Sadler cited the clean up campaign in Kerens as a model for the proposed new city ordinance to eliminate breeding places for flies and rats and explaining how to rid the community of such breeding places were placed in every home and business house in Kerens and put in every automobile, Dr. Sadler reported.

Air wardens are responsible for the sanitary conditions in their areas and report unsanitary conditions to the city health officer, Dr. Sadler said.

Rigid Inspection.

Meanwhile, in Corsicana, Dr. Sadler and Miss Loreta Gaillard, sanitary technician, were continuing their rigid inspection of food handlers.

"We visited a number of restaurants and food stores Thursday and found most of the operators cleaning up in line with provisions of the city's proposed new city ordinance," Dr. Sadler explained.

"Sanitary conditions are much better than they were a week ago, but there is still much to be done," he said.

He commended the food handlers for their splendid co-operation with our department and with county and city health officials in cleaning up their places on a voluntary basis," the director added.

"The negroes operating food establishments are also remedying unsanitary conditions and trying to bring their places up to the standard set up in the new ordinance," he said.

Dr. Sadler and Miss Gaillard Friday were concentrating on several places in or near the city limits where files breed in wholesale numbers.

Seeking Women to Go to California

A representative of the San Diego Electric Railway Company of California is in Corsicana to interview and employ women between the ages of 19 and 45 to be trained as bus and streetcar operators in the California city. He will stay here through Tuesday at the U. S. Employment Office, according to W. B. Reedy, office manager. Transportation will be furnished for those who qualify for the jobs, Reedy said.

Sick and Convalescent.

Mrs. Helen Hambecker had a tonsillectomy at the P. and S. Hospital Monday morning.

Juanita Humphries, Angus, has been dismissed from the P. and S. Hospital.

Mrs. H. E. Smalling underwent a minor operation at the P. and S. Hospital.

Mrs. J. B. Clark is a medical patient at the P. and S. Hospital.

Mrs. F. L. Gullett is a medical patient at the P. and S. Hospital.

Mrs. B. B. McDonald was dismissed from the P. and S. Hospital after the week-end.

Mrs. Emma Minix is a medical patient at the P. and S. Hospital.

Mrs. D. E. DeWitt had a tonsillectomy at the Waters Clinic Monday morning.

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IN MARINE CORPS — Private James E. Page, Jr., 18, USMC, Air Station, Edenton, N. C., recently completed his basic training at Parris Island, S. C. He is a native of Corsicana, and the son of James E. Page, Sr., former resident of this city, now of Reading, Pa. Pvt. Page is well known in Corsicana where he has many friends. For the past eighteen months he has been making his home with his father, employe of the Keystone Pipeline-Atlantic Refining Co.

Social Revue

Mrs. John Lackey of Rice was a Corsicana visitor on Saturday afternoon.

Friends of Jim Kerr, Jr., will be interested in knowing that he is enjoying his work as a reporter of the Dallas Times-Herald. Jim, Jr., majored in journalism at the University of Texas, and is well pleased with his new position.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hubbard and Misses Dean Minatra and Ava Taylor of Corsicana, Marvin Jones of Dallas, Texas, and Mrs. Maggie Mintra in Dresden Sunday.

Mrs. D. D. Cagle spent Sunday in Dresden with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hadley.

Miss Patricia Doyle, June graduate of Frost High school, is employed at the Ideal theatre here.

Miss Connie Walker, deputy county clerk, and Miss Mary Jane Edder, secretary in the county judge's office, returned Monday from vacation trips. Miss Walker visited Mexico and South Texas, while Miss Edder spent last week at her home in Dawson.

GLIDER CRASH

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army airforce material command, St. Louis.

Capt. Milton C. Klugh of the First Troop Carrier Command, Stout Field, Indianapolis, pilot of the glider.

Pfc. J. M. Davis, attached to the First Troop Carrier Command.

Flight Over City.

The tow plane, a converted Douglas transport, was crossing the airport with the glider behind for the second time after completing a flight over the city.

Joseph C. Payne, business agent of a St. Louis labor union, said there was a splintering noise and the wing seemed to fall away. The tow cable snapped and the fuselage dropped like a rock.

Another eye-witness, Edward Austin, said the noise of the crash was "like someone punching a huge air-filled bag."

"Women became hysterical and the men were not much better. They stared straight ahead as if they were hypnotized."

The FBI and a seven-man board of officers from Scott Field, Ill., today will take over an investigation begun immediately after the crash.

Glider Grounded.

Maj. Ralph Page, head of the Army Service Command at Lambert Field, reported all gliders there have been grounded until the formal investigation is complete.

Col. Johnston said the glider was accepted for the army Friday by Hazelton, after customary tests and that it made a flight with six persons aboard about two

ENGINEER RECEIVED SERIOUS INJURIES COTTON BELT WRECK

J. A. Arnold, 40-year-old Tyler Cotton Belt engineer, is in the Corsicana Hospital and Clinic with serious internal injuries as the result of his train ramming the rear end of another freight train at First Street and Eighth Avenue at 1:10 Sunday afternoon.

H. Bindler, 34, also of Tyler and fireman of the engine, received a sprained left ankle. Both men were taken to the hospital in a Corley ambulance.

Bindler said their train, en route to Waco from Tyler, was rounding a curve just inside the city limits and the engineer could not see the other freight which was standing still. Bindler said he saw the caboose of the other train just before the collision and shouted to Arnold but not in time for the engineer to stop the moving freight.

The engine was derailed, the caboose of the other train was demolished, and a car loaded with crushed rock was overturned. The tender of the moving train was not derailed.

Witnesses said Arnold was thrown from the cab.

Wreckers were called immediately from the Cotton Belt division police and the Southern Railway Pacific division. The Ennis, and began clearing the track.

Cotton Belt officials said that all traffic over the line was held up until 2 a. m. Monday when the wreckage was finally cleared away, and that all trains are back on regular schedule.

RESTRICTIONS UPON COTTON PRODUCTION REMOVED FOR 1944

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—(AP)—War Food Administration Director Marvin Jones has advised Representative Patman of Texas that restrictions on cotton production for 1944 have been removed because of wartime demands for cottonseed products and more of the better grades and longer staple fiber.

Jones in a letter explained that there were adequate supplies of lower grade and short staple cotton fiber but that supplies of middling and better grades and 15-16th and longer are becoming short because of the wartime demands.

Jones added that "many people do not understand that two-thirds of the cotton by weight is seed, and only one-third is lint. The seed is used for both food and feed. It is a source of cottonseed oil, which is so essential to the diet and also supplies cottonseed meal, which is an important source of high protein feed and is used as a concentrate in mixed feed."

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much over-rated danger. They're big, to be sure, but they have minute brains, very little initiative and certainly no courage."

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Brushing aside vampire bats, tropical leeches, and such small fry, the anonymous author reassures the soldier that he won't have to cope with tigers until he hits Bali, Sumatra or Borneo.

He cautions: "Don't bother the big animals and they won't bother you."

hours before taking off on the late trip.

The pilot, Klugh, with eight years of glider flying experience, was regarded as one of the best in the nation.

The flight demonstration had the army's approval as one of a series to acquaint the nation with the comparatively new type aircraft.

Robertson was a leading aviation figure linked as a financial backer with Charles A. Lindbergh's trans-Atlantic flight in May, 1927. Becker had been mayor of St. Louis since April, 1941.

CORSICANA LANDMARK, ONE OF FIRST BRICK RESIDENCES BE CONSTRUCTED HERE, IS RAZED

By PAUL MOORE
Dallas Staff

A Corsicana landmark was razed this week.

The two-story brick colonial type residence located on West Third avenue between Main and Twelfth streets, constructed soon after the Civil war by the late Capt. J. Y. Bates, was torn down following the collapse of a rear wall.

The well-known residence had not been in use for living purposes for a number of years. It has been purchased by the Howeth Cream Company.

History of Property.

While the residence is not believed to have been the first brick residence constructed in Corsicana, it is one of the oldest.

Capt. Bates, who at one time served as district clerk of Navarro county, erected the home. Abstract company records show the property was acquired by Capt. Bates from V. O. Sweatman on June 19, 1869, and was sold to the late R. N. White, another pioneer Corsican, on March 19, 1884.

The building was constructed during that period. The home was occupied by the White family for many years and became the property of the late Mrs. M. J. Wilson, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. White. The property later was given to the Christian Science Church here and that congregation recently sold it to the Howeth Cream Company.

For years the building was used as Boy Scout headquarters, and Howeth had planned to utilize it as a storage place.

When a section of the rear wall collapsed recently, the decision to raze the building was made.

CANADA

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monopolies within jurisdiction of Ontario.

The liberals, who now are in the saddle, are facing the million and a half voters on a nine-year record of government and elaborate promises for the future.

The opposition parties are riding hell-for-leather with fixed lances against the formidable liberal array. But it's leadership of Dominion Prime Minister Mackenzie King which is in question rather than that of Ontario's Premier Harry Nixon, who is snuffed at by Conservatives and Socialists with the allegation that he's just Mackenzie King's chore boy.

State's rights are involved. The national government at Ottawa is accused of encroaching on the prerogatives of the provinces and of trying to increase centralization of the Dominion government.

Isolationism drops up vigorously. The progressive conservatives charge the liberals with fostering isolation—an accusation which the liberals hotly deny.

The outcome of the election appears much in doubt at this writing. As things stand there seems a possibility that no party will secure an over-all majority which will permit it to establish a secure government. There's some talk here that, should this situation arise, there might be a coalition between the two major parties—the liberals and the pro-

agressive conservatives.

Should the liberals be returned with a big majority, it would give Premier Mackenzie King the cue which might impel him to stage a general election for the entire Dominion.

ODT Representative Be Here Tuesday

Howard Elliott of Waco, district representative of the Office of Defense Transportation, Waco, plans to be at the chamber of commerce all day Tuesday to confer with representatives of commercial vehicles regarding their gasoline rations, according to Robert G. Dillard, secretary-manager of the chamber.

Dillard said the ODT representatives will hear complaints and make adjustments with operators of commercial vehicles who are not satisfied with their gasoline allotments.

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AIR CONDITIONING INSTALLATION AT P.S. HOSPITAL ACCEPTED

Acceptance of an air-conditioning installation in the Maternity ward at the P. and S. Hospital and the authorization for the advertising for a new operating table featured the meeting of the Navarro county hospital board Sunday afternoon.

The large attic fan installation was accepted. Its cost was \$202.95. Collections for July were \$3,042.81 while expenses were \$3,525.01. There were 117 patients admitted, including 14 for charity and 12 admitted for emergency treatment.

CORSICANA CADETS TO GIVE PROGRAM LEGION BARBECUE

Cadets at Corsicana Field will present the entertainment feature at the American Legion-sponsored barbecue picnic at the Corsicana Country Club Thursday honoring several figures prominent in state and national politics. It was announced Monday by W. H. Smith, post-commander elect of the Johnson-Wiggins Post No. 22.

Invitations to the barbecue have been accepted by Senator Tom Connally, Congressman Luther A. Johnson, and Beauford H. Jester, chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission. Others who have been invited include high-ranking district and state Legion officials.

Smith said that all committees were working smoothly in preparation for the entertainment of 400 or more persons.

A special invitation has been extended to all ex-service men whether they are Legion members or not. He said transportation will be furnished if those desiring to attend will leave their names with attendants at the Legion's relic exhibit in the Navarro Hotel.

OIL RAID

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Seven huge refineries and other installations. The oil field was reported left a mass of fire.

Brigadier General Victor H. Strahm, chief of staff to General Brenton, praised the 2,000 specially trained airmen who took part in the attack and predicted that the raid would "materially affect the course of the war."

"We bombed the refineries, storage tanks, distilleries and cracking plants," General Strahm said. "Between 1950 and 200 big Liberators went over their targets and dropped high explosive bombs and burned installations with machine gun fire."

The raiding party was commanded by Brigadier General U. S. Dent.

Yesterday's raid was the second by American fliers on the Ploesti fields and it was by far the biggest. The first American mission was carried out in January, 1942, by 15 bombers, four of which were forced down in the return trip. The area has also been bombed intermittently by the Red Army air force.

Fighter Opposition. Returning pilots said they encountered considerable fighter opposition both on the way in to the target and for some time after they left. They also reported heavy anti-aircraft fire over the fields. Complete figures on enemy losses were not available but preliminary reports by the returning pilots indicated that dozens of planes were knocked down.

Lieut. Col. J. M. Blyer of Tulsa, Okla., pilot of one of the planes said his gunners fought off several fighter planes for more than 30 minutes.

"It was a very successful raid," said Blyer, "I feel sure our targets are completely destroyed."

Other returning pilots told of the terrific havoc created by the precision attack. Bombs were dropped squarely on the targets and the gunners then strafed gun emplacements and industrial installations.

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west of Voroshilovgrad in the Donets Basin, the communists added.

An attack launched by Nazi infantry and armored units in the area was smashed back, the Russians said. In one sector the Red army beat off seven German attacks, one of which penetrated the Russian trenches before it was halted.

Fifty German tanks and 53 planes were destroyed by the Russians in this area, the war bulletin declared.

Activity in the Belgorod sector was limited to reconnaissance, the Russians said.

Shakeup in Sub Commanders. MOSCOW, Aug. 2.—(P)—The Moscow radio today reported a shakeup of German commanders of Norwegian submarine bases after what it said was an attempt by one crew to sink its U-boat rather than put out to sea.

Quoting a Tass agency dispatch from Stockholm, the broadcast said that several sailors had been court-martialed as a result, but that Admiral Karl Doenitz, commander of Germany's U-boat fleet, had refrained from making further reprisals because of the shortage of trained crews.

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RECEIVE SILVER WINGS.—New fighting pilots to win their silver wings last week included John C. Tatum (left) 1575 West Third Avenue, Corsicana, and Emmett C. Hess, Jr., 112 Bonner Avenue, Kerens. Tatum was included in the Eagle Pass Class while Hess graduated from Blackland. Pinning on their newly won silver wings the July graduates of the Gulf Coast training center, including eleven advanced flying schools, turned their thoughts to the aerial battles of global conflict.



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fighting, but their advances continued.

The Americans took 10,000 more prisoners in the fall of Mistretta alone. The majority were nazis, giving the Americans their largest bag of Germans.

Both American and Canadian forces were battling through high ground frequently reaching an altitude of 2,500 feet, studded with German machine-gun positions and covered by axis heavy artillery.

In Control of Road.

Capture of San Stefano put the Americans in full control of a major road running from the southward through Nicosia and gave them a strategic artery for quick transport of troops and guns through the vital north.

Today's allied announcement also belatedly confirmed the fall of Nicosia and Assora in the central sector just before Canadian action.

Everywhere the Germans were offering the utmost suicidal resistance and suffering extremely serious casualties, front line reports stated. The Germans were said to be contesting every inch of ground.

The doughboys under cover of a shattering and accurate artillery barrage stormed across the pinched strong points located in the hills between San Stefano and Nicosia, but the Canadians had to battle for every hilltop and small piece of ground.

It was reported officially that the Canadians were engaged in bitter street fighting as they entered unidentified towns and villages.

Both target areas at Naples and Capodichino were "well covered by bomb bursts," the headquarters communique stated, and eight axis planes were shot down in aerial battles.

Other Air Activities.

Other allied planes ranged ahead of the attacking ground troops in Sicily, with medium bombers hammering the port of Milazzo, used to bring in axis reinforcements, and other planes hitting the vital communications centers of Adriano and Randazzo in the diminishing axis bridgehead.

Five enemy planes were shot down over Sicily besides the eight downed over Italy itself, and one allied plane was lost in all operations, headquarters said.

Allied seapower again carried the war to the Italian mainland, with warships bombarding the port of Vibo Valentia, Marina, on the south side of the Gulf of San Eufemia, 50 miles northeast of Messina, a railway bridge across the river Oliva, 22 miles to the north, and the harbor of Crotona, on the Ionian Sea to the southeast. These actions were carried out from Saturday night through early Sunday.

"Two good fires were started (at Crotona) and two patrol craft were sunk," said a Naval communique. "Retaliatory fire from the shore was ineffective."

Crotona had been heavily shelled by two British in mid-July.

Effective Naval Support.

"American naval forces are rendering effective support by their gunfire for the advance of the (U. S.) Seventh Army along the road from the north coast of Sicily," the communique said. To the north and northeast of Sicily, American P-T boats continue their offensive operations against the enemy."

The steady American advance along the north coast of Sicily continued.

While their British and Canadian allies to the south found slow going against sturdy defenses dug along the base of Mt. Etna and along the fringe of the Catania plain, the Americans advanced swiftly in a two-day drive forcing the Germans to order a general withdrawal to take up new positions in high ground.

Latest reports placed American forces at Castel Di Tusa on the Tyrrhenian sea coast and at Motta, Pettineo and Castel Di Lucio in the interior.

Heavy Nazi Barrage.

The position of Castel Di Tusa was under heavy fire from German 88mm artillery. The barrage was described as one of the heaviest of the entire Sicilian campaign and along the fringe of the Catania plain, the Americans advanced swiftly in a two-day drive forcing the Germans to order a general withdrawal to take up new positions in high ground.

The American advance was over extremely rough terrain and the axis defenders were apparently taking advantage of every elevated point, bitterly contesting each thrust before giving way.

Units of the Seventh Army pushing forward from Nicosia in the interior were threatening Troina, a vital axis communications junction, 11 miles away.

At the southeastern end of the allied line the British still were hammering away against what was described as very strong resistance. A delayed dispatch yesterday revealed that the British and Canadians had driven across a river Friday capturing an unidentified town and gaining control of a road junction opening routes to the northeast and northwest."

Axis Reinforcements.

The main striking power of the Canadian drive apparently was centered in the vicinity of Regalbuto, about 10 miles directly south of Troina.

The axis, meanwhile, was reported bringing in reinforcements and quantities of supplies across the narrow Strait of Messina from the Italian mainland, although allied air forces were actively attacking the Messina bridgehead, shipping in the Strait, and motorized transport on the island. Other African-

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army and navy planes dropped 110 tons of bombs on and around the Munda and Vila airdromes in the central Solomons.

Warplanes and light surface units destroyed at least 14 of the enemy's blockade-running barges, started a large fire among a concentration of 12 or these craft, and damaged a number of others.

Heavy bombers made the long haul to Soemba Island in the Netherlands East Indies Saturday, starting large fires and causing "considerable damage" at Wainapoko.

Japanese Heavily Blasted in Burma

NEW DELHI, Aug. 2.—(P)—U. S. medium bombers heavily blasted wharves, warehouses and shipping facilities of Katha, Japanese occupied head of navigation on the Irrawaddy, during Sunday operations over Burma by both American and British squadrons, it was announced today.

"Direct hits were reported on three large river steamers and near hits on (other) river craft," a U. S. 10th AAF communique said.

The communique said the destruction and damage inflicted at the Katha rail-river junction "seriously interfered with military traffic at all points on the railroad between Katha and the rail terminus at Yitkyina," 100 miles to the northeast.

Other B-25s scored hits on the east approach of the Ehwell river suspension bridge near the Bruma-Yunnan border and crewmen said the anchorage was damaged.

"All our aircraft and crews returned safely," the U. S. communique said.

The British announced that RAF Hurricanes and Beaufighters again attacked Japanese river and rail transport in Western Burma.

Up to Indians Themselves.

NEW DELHI, Aug. 2.—(P)—In a farewell address before the Indian assembly, Viceroy Lord Linlithgow told members of the council of state and the legislative body today that obstacles in the way of a solution to the Indian problem could be removed only by the Indians themselves.

"Lack of trust and lack of readiness to accept the legitimate claims of minorities stand in the way," the viceroy declared.

Airforce Denudes Jungle.

GUADALCANAL, July 31.—(Delayed)—Army, navy and Marine fliers worked together today to denude a jungle forest for our ground troops.

Torpedo and dive bombers, in co-ordinated attacks, dropped 32 tons of bombs on Biblo Hill, one of the New Georgia objectives in the drive for the Munda air base, and destroyed the Japanese of one of their primary weapons in jungle warfare.

Ensign T. M. Caldwell, Amarillo, Texas, said he saw "hundreds of huge craters at the hill. The first time I went over it it was covered with trees. Now there is not a tree left."

Other fliers said they couldn't see how anyone could remain on Biblo Hill, which is not a hill, Munda airfield, after the tree-stripping job of American bombs.

(General Douglas MacArthur's communique reported that torpedo and dive bombers supported by fighter lanes drove off 30 enemy fighters which attempted to intercept, and attacked enemy gun positions on Biblo Hill. Two of our fighter planes were lost.

Hull Expresses Regret.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—(P)—Secretary of State Hull expressed regret today over the death of President Lin Sen of the National government of China, and said Americans would feel that they had "lost a staunch friend in the common battle for a just and humane way of life."

President Lin died in Chungking yesterday.

based bombers attacked Reggio Calabria, key port on the toe of Italy, over the week-end.

The axis base at Biancavilla was attacked heavily and a 60-truck motor convoy was strafed. Adriano, northwest of Catania, also was attacked and three road junctions were damaged badly.

Much of the allied bombing was concentrated on knocking out axis artillery which has been holding up the advance. Notable was the fact that German reaction to allied advances usually swift and heavy air and artillery attacks was reported to be of minor consequence.

Considerable Damage at Naples.

(By The Associated Press.) Allied planes bombed Naples yesterday and caused "considerable damage," the Italian communique announced today, the action representing the first major aerial blow against the Italian mainland since the Eisenhower ultimatum of Saturday.

Out of Date Now.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS in North Africa, Aug. 2.—(P)—RAF officers searching stacks of Nazi propaganda in the German consulate in bomb-shattered Palermo found a bunch of leaflets of particular interest. They were entitled: "The Decline and Fall of British Air Power."

FORMER NAVARRO COUNTY MINISTER DIED IN DALLAS

The Rev. Andrew Thomas Culbertson, former Methodist minister, and resident of Dallas for 18 years, died at his home in Dallas on Saturday morning, and funeral services were held from the residence on Monday morning with burial in Restland Memorial Park.

Rev. Mr. Culbertson is survived by his wife, two sons, and three daughters. Mrs. Bob Banner of Ennis having been one of his daughters. He is well known in Corsicana. Mrs. Banner is a niece of Mrs. John Fortson and was in Corsicana last Friday to visit in the Fortson home.

Mr. Culbertson was a former member of the Central Texas conference of the Methodist church, and was pastor of the Methodist church at Dawson more than 40 years ago.

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Colo., told me how a fellow Sergeant killed eight Germans with eight shots—one for each bullet in the clip of his Garand rifle.

Courage Praised.

The feat of Sgt. Herb Fish of Canan City, Colo., was praised by his officers as one of the most remarkable feats of courage and marksmanship against odds of the entire engagement.

"What we were charging up the hill a German shot at Fish and hit him in the helmet," said Glad. "The bullet went through his helmet and lining but circled inside and came out the back without ever piercing his skin. Then it struck him on the forehead, however, and stunned him for a second."

"The German who had ruined his helmet came running out laughing and shouting at the other hidden Germans to come out and see the American he had knocked over."

"That gave Fish the break he wanted. Quick as a cat he rolled over and came up with his Garand in business position. His first shot dropped the guy who had put the hole through his helmet."

"The other Germans were caught flat-footed too. Fish began working them over with his rifle and near hits on (other) river craft," a U. S. 10th AAF communique said.

"One German we captured told us that fighting on bloody ridge was three times worse than anything they had seen around Stalingrad. I guess they never met any Russians there who averaged one nazi for every bullet."

Praise For Medics.

Lieut. Frank J. Greer, (1127 James St.), Waco, Texas, who killed a German himself, praised the group of medics who evacuated seven wounded men under artillery fire.

"They went right out in the middle of those shells and carried the wounded out on their shoulders. One of our sergeants got so mad when a sniper shot one of his boys he charged and got five Germans himself," he said.

In a peaceful olive grove so quiet it looked like a picnic ground lay a group of dirty, tired American soldiers who had borne the brunt of the German counterattack. They were eating "CS" rations and reading mail as it was sorted. On one side of the grove lay six freshly dug American graves with dogtags hanging from temporary crosses made from ration boxes.

On the other side of the grove a weary young German soldier was digging graves for the bodies of nazis which littered the ground.

"Our company took the position yesterday and we took 38 Germans but we've only got 35 left," said Pvt. Lewis Hendrickson of Shelbyville, Ind. "Three tried to get away. We shot two and one made it."

They counterattacked us with three companies—about 600 men—and drove us back 200 yards. Then we reorganized and came right back and mopped up on them. They are still in his company."

This company which had the heaviest losses of any of those participating was led by Lieut. Joe M. Robertson, Lamar, Colo. He was immensely proud of the way his boys fought.

"They took the full force of the German counterattack and rolled it back," he said. "They are the toughest bunch I ever saw. They're taught the heinies to respect us."

The battalion was commanded by Lieut. Col. Preston Murphy of Fort Collins, Colo., and Capt. John W. Jonson, of Austin, Texas, who led the company which advanced up "Bloody Ridge" at another point.

"The Germans moved off to a high point to the north during the night and one of our battalions moved in after firing only one shot," said Pvt. Cecil Brewer, San Antonio, Texas. This with a small force of other American troops to take the nearby inland mountain village without a struggle, further tightening the noose around San Stefano.

DANIEL

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Friends of the Speaker Daniel said that he joined the army about two weeks ago. No one knew whether he would be on hand for a special session, if one is called.

Daniel, 32, is married and has two children.

House rules provide that a speaker may select some member of the house to serve in his place in the event of his absence. Whether Daniel would do this, or whether the army could be prevailed upon to relax its regulation providing that no furloughs or leaves be granted soldiers to participate in legislative sessions, were questions yet to be answered.

It is possible that a new speaker would be elected, in the event Daniel could not attend.

If this policy were adopted, it would put Rep. Claude Gilmer of Rock Springs in a favored spot, since at the close of the last general session he announced he had pledged from more than a majority of house members to support him for speaker at the house at the next general session. Daniel had announced he would not be a candidate for speaker at the next general session.

Archbishop Spellman Home, NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—(P)—Archbishop Francis J. Spellman

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to the next target—perhaps Berlin.

In a ferment of terror, 3,000,000 Italians were reported in Swiss dispatches to have fled their city homes to seek refuge in the countryside following the solemn warnings repeated many times over allied radios, that resumption of a violent air offensive had been ordered.

From Cairo's Middle East command about 175 four-engine American Liberators yesterday carried out what was reported to have been one of the most decisive raids of the war—a destructive attack on Rumania's oil center of Ploesti which supplies a great percentage of Germany's aviation gasoline.

Lost Twenty Bombers.

As the big bombers, blackened with soot from the greatest mass low level air attack in history, returned, crewmen reported the definite loss of 20 of their number. But they had shot down at least 51 of the enemy's fighters and were convinced that the blow would "materially" affect the course of the war."

These other developments highlighted the war news.

Italy—Allied warships, too, battered the Italian mainland, Gen. Eisenhower's headquarters announced. Shells screamed into the harbor of Vico, Valenta, Marina just above the Italian toe, a railway bridge across the River Oliva 22 miles farther north and the harbor of Crotona on the Gulf of Taranto Saturday night and early Sunday.

Sicily—American naval forces also bombarded the North Sicilian coast, blasting a way for the American Seventh Army which had captured more towns, one of them within two miles of San Stefano, northern anchor of the Germans' Mt. Etna line. The Americans appeared to have planted a serious threat to the German flank. American motor torpedo boats continued to range the waters to the north and northeast of the island, cutting its communications.

Crete and Greece.—The explosive Italian situation threatened serious trouble between Germans and Italians. British headquarters announced it had definite information that Italian troops in Crete resisted German efforts to disarm them and were still standing firm, although they had been fired upon. Some Italian units, however, were tricked into surrendering their weapons. At Istanbul dispatch from Turkey said the Germans and Italians were at bayonet point also on the Greek mainland.

Russia.—The Red army, slugging its way over sodden fields and littered battlefields, had gained from five to 7 1/2 miles and captured 100 more villages in its latest thrusts northward, north, northeast, east and south of Orel. The latest advances, the Russians said placed them nine miles northeast of the German bastion and 10 miles south.

Munda.—U. S. army and navy bombers cut new nickles in the Japanese defense of Munda air base on New Georgia island in the Solomons by dropping 27 tons of bombs on them Sunday.

No Word From Italy.

There still was no definite word of peace from Italy. Apparently Marshal Pietro Badoglio had not deigned to reply directly to allied ultimatums. But Madrid dispatches said there was a flurry of activity at the Vatican with the Papal secretary of state calling upon Badoglio after a conference with the American charge d'affaires.

For many hours Saturday night and Sunday allied radios sweated the Italians with Gen. Eisenhower's warnings that delay is making peace could no longer be tolerated.

Then the fleets of big bombers roared over Naples. Today's communique from North African headquarters said the Naples docks and the nearby airport of Capodichino were blanketed with bombs.

From Turkey it was reported that thousands of pamphlets had been distributed in Sofia, Bulgarian capital, declaring "while there is still time, let us imitate Italy's example."

German Jitters.

The cumulative effect of events appeared to have given Germany a real case of the jitters.

Swedish newspaper correspondents in Berlin wrote to Stockholm newspapers that the German press now admitted that Mussolini's fall would affect the outcome of the war and that Nazi leaders feared something similar might happen in Germany.

The Stockholm dispatches said leaflets had been circulated in Berlin ordering removal of non-essential civilians and said "near-panic" prevailed with the able-bodied out early Sunday morning digging trenches and air raid shelters in Berlin's parks. All the capital's schools were closed.

The bomb war was said to be having an effect similar to the allied blockade in 1918, and "no body knows how long the population will be able to endure it."

Hamburg Deserted.

Hamburg was said to be virtually deserted by its 2,000,000 population and a city of blackened ruins after the week-long assault by day and night raiders.

American medium bombers returned to the assault of German airfields in France today, hitting Merville and St. Omer.

The American armada flew 2,400 miles round trip, a record for operations in this war, to drop 300 tons of bombs at Ploesti where a third of nazi oil requirements are furnished.

Using a special low-level bomb sight, the raiders dropped down to smokestack height to score bullseye hits on seven refineries and other installations and crewmen said the area was left a "flaming inferno."

Their large loss was accounted for by German guns hidden in haystacks and bushes and by the swarms of fighters which attacked long before the target was reached.

From Moscow, the Soviet radio reported a shakeup in the German U-boat bases of Norway where a nazi crew tried to sink its boat rather than go to sea.

Smuts to Visit United States

LONDON, Aug. 2.—(P)—The London Express reported today in a dispatch from Johannesburg that Marshal Jan Smuts, premier of the Union of South Africa, plans to visit the United States shortly—probably in September.

Archbishop Spellman Home, NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—(P)—Archbishop Francis J. Spellman

U. S. Bombers Raid Airfield.

LONDON, Aug. 2.—(P)—Medium bombers raided German air fields at Merville and St. Omer in France today without loss, it was

announced officially.

Squadrons of RAF Dominion and Allied Spitfires escorted the bombers.

The Allied planes roared out in waves at dawn to continue the air war against Europe.

Shortly after the first waves returned three more formations of bombers swept back across the channel.

Among the returning craft was a lone two-engine bomber bearing the white star of the U. S. Air Forces. It was flying low, escorted by three Spitfires.

Mother Corsicanan Died in Houston

Funeral services for Mrs. Pearl Mueller of Houston were held at the First Methodist Church at Caldwell Friday afternoon. Surviving are nine children and 10 grandchildren. A son, E. C. Mueller, resides in Corsicana.

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